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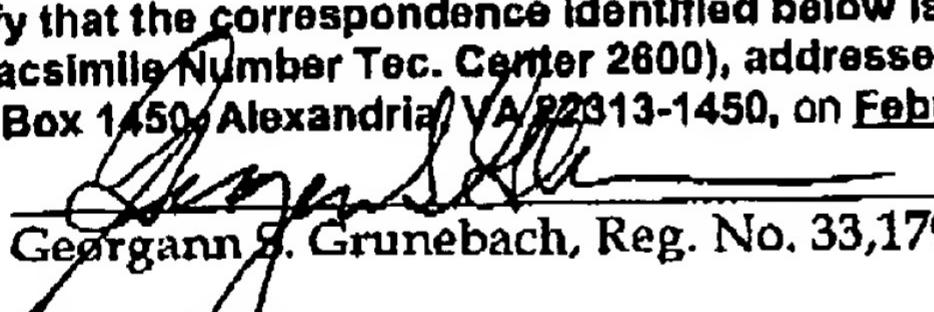
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Attention: Commissioner for Patents

Please find attached Re:

Inventor: Robert G. Arsenault, et al.

Serial No.: 09/678,441

Filed: October 2, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADAPTING PROGRAM GUIDES TO MEET SUBSCRIBER CRITERIA

- > Amendment Transmittal
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PATENT  
Docket No. PD-200020  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:** Robert G. Arsenault, et al.  
**Serial No.:** 09/678,441  
**Filed:** October 2, 2000  
**For:** METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADAPTING PROGRAM  
GUIDES TO MEET SUBSCRIBER CRITERIA

**Date:** February 25, 2005  
**Group Art Unit:** 2614  
**Examiner:** Annan Q. Shang

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for \_\_\_\_\_ months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

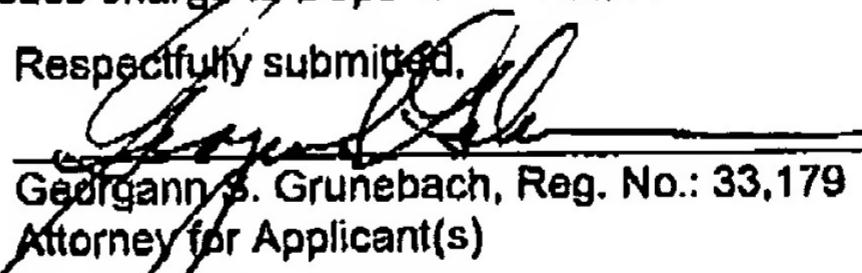
No additional fee for claims is required.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

<u>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</u>							
	<u>CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR</u>	<u>PRESENT EXTRA</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>ADDITIONAL FEE</u>		
TOTAL CLAIMS	16 minus	44*	=	0 x \$ 50.00	\$	-0-	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 minus	7**	=	0 x \$ 200.00	\$	-0-	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				0 + \$ 360.00	\$	-0-	
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>							
\$ <u>00.00</u>							

Charge \$ 00.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (formally Hughes Electronics Corporation), El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

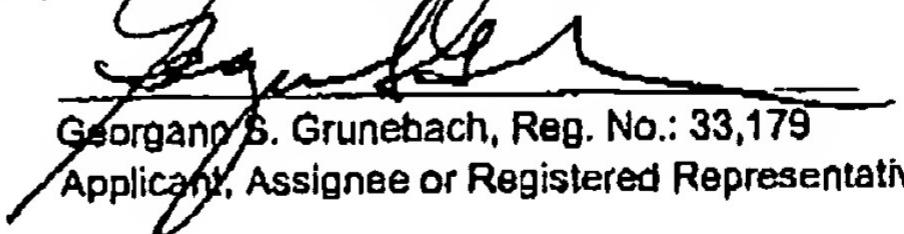
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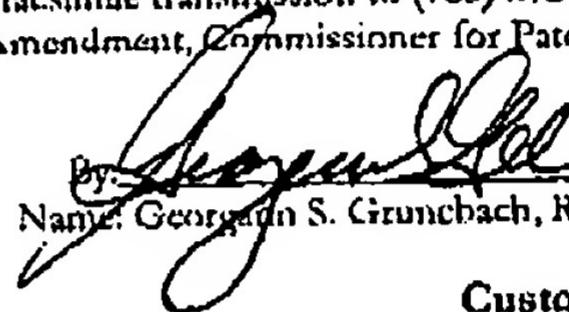
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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.